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REQUEST FOR FILING DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a divisional application under Rule 53(b) (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)) of co-pending prior application Serial No. 09/420,119 filed October 18, 1999, entitled "PHAE and PHAC components of poly(hydroxy fatty acid) synthase from *Thiocapsa pfennigii*."

Enclosed is a copy of the original application Serial No. 08/809,286 as originally filed, including specification, claims, and declaration. The undersigned hereby verifies that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application as originally filed and identified above, that no amendments (if any) referred to in the declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful

both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

- (a) The inventorship is the same as prior Application Serial No. 09/420,119.
- (b) Also enclosed is a copy of the substitute Specifications filed with prior Application Serial No. 09/420,119.
- 2. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP deposit account, specified in Clause No. 3 below, the amount of \$ 836 to cover the filing fee as calculated below and the fee for any new claims added in the Preliminary Amendment referred to in Clause No. 7 below.

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION LESS CLAIMS CANCELED BELOW

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE
Basic Fee					\$710.00
Total Claims	27 - 20 =	7	X	\$18.00 =	\$126.00
Independent Claims	1 – 3 =	0	X	\$80.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple Depende	ent Claim(s)				\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEES:					\$836.00

3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R.

Account No. 01-2508/11899.0152.DVUS01/KAM. Address all future communications to: 4. Patricia A. Kammerer Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP. 750 Bering Drive Houston, Texas 77057-2198 (713) 787-1400 5. The prior application is presently assigned to Monsanto Company. Enclosed is a copy of the Power of Attorney. 6. Enclosed is a preliminary amendment. Any additional fees incurred by this 7. amendment are included in the check at No. 2 above and said fee has been calculated after calculation of claims and after amendment of claims by the preliminary amendment. 8. Amend the substitute Specifications by replacing the first paragraph, page 2, by: --This is a divisional of co-pending application Serial No. 09/420,119 filed October 18, 1999, which is a divisional application of Serial No. 08/809,286 filed July 3, 1997, now issued (US Patent No. 6,011,144), which is a § 371 National Stage Application of PCT/DE95/01279, filed September 15, 1995, which claimed priority to German Application P 4433 134.7, filed September 16, 1994.--

Enclosed is a sequence listing in computer readable form and a paper copy, together

with the Statement required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f) stating that the information

recorded in the computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing.

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Enclosed are the Formal Drawings.

Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement with the accompanying form $[\cdot]$ 11. PTO 1449. 12. Return Receipt Postcard. $[\cdot]$ Respectfully submitted, Patricia A. Kammerer Reg. No. 29,775 Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP ATTORNEY FOR ASSIGNEE, 750 Bering Drive MONSANTO COMPANY Houston, Texas 77057-2198 (713) 787-1400 February **%** , 2001